

## **Abstract of the Invention**

A multipurpose cooler for storing and transporting items includes a cooler body having an insulated interior and an exterior; a lid connected to the cooler body to permit selective access to the interior; a basket having three walls and a bottom and being slidably  
5 connected to the cooler body to slide between a fully extended position forming, with the cooler body, a basket cavity for storing and transporting items and a fully retracted position wherein the basket cavity is substantially nonexistent.